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(57) Abstract: A compound 5-[4-[2-(N-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)amino)ethoxy]benzyl]thiazolidine-2,4-dione sodium salt, or a pharmaceutically acceptable solvate thereof, characterised in that the sodium salt is non-hygroscopic or slightly hygroscopic; a pharmaceutical composition containing such a compound and the use of such a compound in medicine.

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